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SUBJ: COMMENTS ON MEETING SEPT 3 (SALT TWO-765)

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1. AT TODAY'S PLENARY MEETING SEMENOV MADE STATEMENT REPEATING PROPOSAL THAT HE HAD MADE IN OUR BILATERAL ON AUGUST 29 FOR ARTICLE XVI (SUBSEQUENT NEGOTIATIONS) AND ON ARTICLE IV, PARA 7 (RAPID RELOAD) LINKED TO PARA 2 (SILO RELOCATION). (SEE REFTEL.) HE URGED THAT WE GET TO WORK ON SPECIFIC LANGUAGE FOR ARTICLE X (MISCELLANEOUS BANS) AND ALSO URGED THAT SIMILAR WORK BE UNDERTAKEN ON ARTICLE IX (ASMS ON AIRCRAFT OTHER THAN HEAVY BOMBERS). I MADE NO STATEMENT IN THE PLENARY.

2. IN OUR PRIVATE MEETING, I INITIATED DISCUSSION OF PARA 3, ARTICLE XVII, BY GIVING HIM WRITTEN TEXT OF SLIGHT REVISION I HAD ORALLY MADE IN AGREED STATEMENT AT OUR AUGUST 29 MEETING, TO MAKE IT MORE SPECIFICALLY CLEAR THAT WE ARE TALKING ONLY ABOUT NATIONAL TECHNICAL MEANS VERIFICATION. DURING THE COURSE OF A BUSINESSLIKE REVIEW OF THE POSITIONS

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OF BOTH SIDES ON THIS ISSUE, HE REFERRED TO THE PLENARY

STATEMENT THEY HAD MADE ON AUGUST 19 ON THIS SUBJECT AND SAID THAT THEY WERE WILLING TO HAVE THE FORMAL RECORD CONTAIN THE PHRASE THAT THEY HAD USED IN THAT STATEMENT TO THE EFFECT THAT "DELIBERATE CONCEALMENT MEASURES ARE THOSE MEASURES OF CONCEALMENT, WHICH ARE DELIBERATELY AIMED AT IMPEDING VERIFICATION BY NATIONAL TECHNICAL MEANS OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE OBLIGATIONS TO BE ESTABLISHED UNDER THE NEW AGREEMENT." IN DISCUSSING THE LAST SENTENCE OF US PROPOSAL FOR PARA 3 (UNINTENTIONALLY IMPEDING VERIFICATION), I POINTED OUT THAT PARA 2 (E) OF ARTICLE XVII (SCC PROCEDURES) DEALT ONLY WITH "UNINTENDED INTERFERENCE), WHEREAS THIRD SENTENCE OF OUR DRAFT DEALT WITH "UNINTENTIONALLY IMPEDING VERIFICATION" AND THAT BOTH SIDES HAD RECOGNIZED THAT "INTERFERENCE WITH NTM" WAS A DIFFERENT CONCEPT THAT "IMPEDING VERIFICATION BY NTM." THE THIRD SENTENCE OF OUR DRAFT OF PARA 3 DEALT WITH THE LATTER. HE INDICATED THAT HE UNDERSTOOD MY POINT. IN RESPONSE TO HIS PROPOSAL THAT WE NOW REFER PARA 3 OF ARTICLE XVII TO THE DRAFTING GROUP, I SAID THAT I THOUGHT THE TWO OF US SHOULD RETURN TO THE SUBJECT ON FRIDAY.

3. REFERRING TO REVISED LANGUAGE FOR PARA 2 (B) OF ARTICLE XVIII THAT I HAD GIVEN HIM ON AUGUST 28 (SALT TWO-754), I ASKED FOR HIS REACTIONS. READING FROM PREPARED NOTES, HE SAID THAT THEY SAW NO REASON FOR INCLUDING LANGUAGE ON PROCEDURES AND DATES PROVIDING CRITERIA ON REPLACEMENT OR CONVERSION, AS THIS MATTER WAS AMPLY COVERED IN PARA 2 OF ARTICLE VI. IN RESPONSE TO MY POINTING OUT THAT ALL WE WERE PROPOSING IN OUR ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE FOR PARA 2 (B) WAS IN FACT WHAT SCC HAD ALREADY FOUND IT NECESSARY TO DO UNDER THE I.A., E.G. DEFINE EXACTLY WHEN A SLBM SUBMARINE WAS CONSIDERED TO HAVE BEGUN SEA TRIALS, HE SAID THAT "AGREEING ON PROCEDURES IN THE SCC WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO ARRIVE AT AGREEMENT BY HAVING THE SCC WORK OUT NEW PROCEDURES FOR THE NEW AGREEMENT "IN GOOD TIME." IN CONNECTION WITH PARA 2 (B), HE ALSO CATEGORICALLY REJECTED PRIOR NOTIFICATION, REFERRING TO THE PRVIOUS HISTORY ON THE SUBJECT.

4. THERE WILL BE NO HIGHLIGHTS CABLE THIS MEETING.

5. NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR FRIDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER 5.

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